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Economic Notes

1. Arms factories at Vranje and Prizren are working at increased pressure, with two shifts daily, to repair German rifles captured during hostilities.
2. The factory at Kragujevac has increased production of cartridges adapted to fit German rifles.
3. The textile factories at Pancevo and Novi Sad have worked 250,000 square meters of silk for parachutes since 15 May 1947.

Novi Sad Airfield

4. The two runways have been lengthened from 500 to 650 meters.
5. A parachute school, called "Lavi Vazduha" (Sky Lions) is based at the field, with 1,500 under training. Methods and instructors are Russian. Thirty Junker transport and 26 three-engined Rata planes are used for training purposes.
6. The commander is Colonel Ziga Radakovic, from Kozluk, aged 48-50.
7. Apart from the officer-instructors, there are 160 Russian airmen, who are the crews of the Rata aircraft. About 250 men of the Yugoslav Air Force are stationed on this airfield.

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